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Shelley Appoints Mark Kyle as Undersecretary of State

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SACRAMENTO --- California Secretary of State Kevin Shelley today announced the appointment of long-time advisor Mark Kyle as Undersecretary of State, the first appointment he has made in his Administration after taking office last Monday.

"I'm thrilled to have Mark on board to help lead my Administration," said Secretary Shelley. "Mark's drive and determination will be invaluable as California takes the lead into an era of unprecedented change not only by the way we vote, but also in the many other vital services this office provides."

Prior to joining the Shelley Administration, Kyle was the Director of Operations for Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, the largest construction union local in the United States. He has extensive experience as an attorney specializing in labor and employment law, and has represented clients in front of the National Labor Relations Board, state and federal courts, and administrative agencies. Kyle also worked as a lead negotiator for major construction industry and public sector contracts.

Mr. Kyle has worked on numerous electoral campaigns throughout California, including races for San Francisco Mayor, state senate and assembly, US Congress, as well as Kevin Shelley's successful campaigns to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, the California State Assembly, and Secretary of State. In 1998, Kyle served as Chief of Staff to then Assembly Majority Leader Kevin Shelley.

Mark received his B.A. in Philosophy from Boston University in 1977 and graduated from University of California, Davis Law School in 1990.

Mark, his wife Mary and their two children live in San Rafael.